

Lack of Homes Cost Torrance \$50,000 Every Month

Official of Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oil Company Deplores Lack of Housing Accommodations

One of the field executives of the Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oil Company, operating a score of wells in the Torrance western field and whose payroll is averaging more than \$50,000 a week informed a representative of the Herald today that of the more than 200 men now employed, nine-tenths would make their homes in Torrance if houses or rooms could be secured.

Some of us are now living in Hermosa Beach and the majority either in Redondo or San Pedro but would move tomorrow if houses for the married men or rooms or apartments for the single fellows could be provided.

In other words if some one, or a group of business men of your city would get together and build from 100 to 300 houses every one of our force would move to Torrance and the fifty-odd thousand dollars now being spent in other cities would remain in your city.

STREET WORK IS DISCUSSED AT CITY HALL

Property Owners Meet to Learn Facts of Improvements

A neighborhood meeting was held at the city hall Thursday night to discuss the work to be done on Anapola and the streets adjoining, Andreo and Gramercy south of Carson, Andreo south of 222nd street and Plaza Del Amo. There was a good attendance from the Anapola district, the other two districts, Andreo and Gramercy south of Carson, and Plaza Del Amo and Andreo south of 222nd street were not so well represented.

WORLD'S CHAMPION TO BE HERE

Johnny Meyers, Middleweight, To Defend Title in Torrance

What promises to be the one bright spot in Torrance athletic circles takes place next Thursday night, March 22, at the American Legion arena, when Johnny Meyers, middleweight wrestling champion of the world, defends his title and belt against Wm. Perumean, champion of America, in a finish match, best two out of three falls.

Agala D. A. Murphy of the Bert L. Crossland Post, 170, American Legion, stepped into the limelight and secured this match which many other California cities have been angling for. After signing the man, Murphy said he had had many requests from fans to bring Meyers here and when offered the match Johnny said: "I will meet any man the Legion picks for me."

Drilling Wells in Torrance Field

CHASNOLR-CANFIELD MIDWAY
Del Amo No. 4—Rigging up.
Del Amo No. 5—850 ft.
Del Amo No. 6—Rigging up.
Del Amo No. 7—Building road.
Torrance No. 1—3578 ft., water test.
Torrance No. 4—2985 ft., to re-cement.
Torrance No. 5—Preparing to cement.
Torrance No. 6—Spudded in.
Torrance No. 7—Building road.
Dominguez No. 1—3960 ft., standing cemented.

STANDARD OIL
Kirke No. 3—3005 ft., water shut off.
Folkner No. 1—3251 ft., water shut off.
Torrance No. 3—3030 ft., cemented.

HUB OIL
Smith No. 1—2600 ft.
Frier No. 1—1000 ft.

GILMORE PETROLEUM
Gilmore No. 1—900 ft.

GEORGE F. GETTY
Getty No. 1—Building rig.
Frederickson No. 1—2825 ft.

FULLERTON OIL CO.
Lens No. 1—Plugged back to 3000 ft.

GENERAL PETROLEUM
Carson No. 2—Rigging up.
Pettifils No. 2—Rigging up.

SHELL OIL
Redondo No. 1—3618 ft., cemented.
Torrance No. 1—3300 ft.
Fringier No. 1—2200 ft.

PETROLEUM MIDWAY
Craven No. 1—1850 ft.
Waldron No. 1—Spudded in.
Casab No. 1—Spudded in.
Gish No. 1—Building rig.

UNION OIL
Francis No. 2—3140 ft., standing cemented.
Weston No. 1—3760 ft., standing cemented.

Three Wells On Carson St. Now In the Oil Sand

Torrance 4 and 5 and Torrance Community No. 3 Cemented Off at Average Depth of 3025 Feet

Three wells, just east of production on Carson street, and from which big production is expected, reached the oil sand this week and are ready to cement. The reports from all three wells are to the effect that they look better than any of the wells yet put down.

Two of the wells in the oil sand are Torrance No. 4 and No. 5 on the Chanslor-Canfield Midway lease and Torrance Community No. 3, an offset to Torrance No. 4 on the Chanslor-Canfield Midway lease.

Torrance No. 4 is re-cementing at 2985 feet and Torrance No. 5 is cementing the ten-inch string at 3060 feet. These wells have tapped the top of the oil sand and will be drilled through to production as soon as cement has hardened sufficiently.

The Hub Oil Company is pushing down Smith No. 1 at a fast clip and yesterday afternoon it had reached 2600 feet. It is an offset to Torrance No. 5 and should be in the oil sand within the next ten days unless unexpected difficulties are encountered.

The Gilmore Petroleum Company's well just east of Smith No. 1 is running into hard drilling and has only reached the 1000 foot level. The Hub well to the north of Gilmore No. 1 is down 900 feet. Torrance No. 6, on the Chanslor-Canfield Midway lease, north of the Hub lease spudded in Wednesday and is reported to be making good progress.

LADIES INVITED

Wrestling being one of the cleanest of sports, the ladies are urged to attend, as many will get a few ideas of how to reduce.

Don Rader Joins Babcock & Jones

As a result of the considerably increased activity in Torrance the past few months and the corresponding increase in volume of business, Babcock & Jones, bonding a general real estate and insurance business with offices in the Auditorium building, announce the addition to their staff of Mr. Don Rader, as manager of the insurance department.

RUTH ROLAND



The well known serial star, Ruth Roland, who last week invested \$10,000 in business property in Torrance.

Gold Watches To Be Given Scouts

A recommendation made by First Vice Commander J. H. Scott, scoutmaster of Torrance Boy Scouts, was unanimously passed at the American Legion meeting held last Monday night, when he asked that the meeting endorse a resolution for awarding three gold watches to the first three Boy Scouts who passed their tests elevating them to Eagle Scout rank.

NOTABLES ASSEMBLE AT MEETING

Fourth District Meeting Sets Record for Enthusiasm

The Fourth District Chambers of Commerce with representatives from many of the 35 organizations composing the same, were gathered together at the John Muir Junior High School, on 90th and South Vermont, Thursday night, March 8, with President F. C. Finkle wielding the gavel, and with a short welcoming address in which he stated this was the first time they had met in the auditorium of the John Muir Junior High School.

REEVES LOT ON ARLINGTON LEASED

Cash Bonus of \$1,500 and Agreement to Drill in 90 Days

Within the next 90 days oil derricks will have made their first appearance in the southern end of the city of Torrance, according to officials of the W. M. Keck Drilling Company, that Monday closed a lease of an acre on Arlington street near the Lomita boundary.

NOTICE OF MEETING

There will be a meeting of all the 1923 Chautauqua guarantors next Tuesday night at the city hall at 7 o'clock. Mrs. M. C. Reed, traveling organizer of the Chautauqua circuit, will be present and aid in adopting plans for the selling of tickets, meeting place and other plans. It is important that you be present.

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Master Masons Honor School

The Grand Master of Masons of California proclaimed the week of March 19 to 24 as public school week. In accordance with that proclamation Torrance Lodge, No. 447, will hold a public education meeting, Monday evening, March 19, in Legion hall, Torrance.

1923 FIESTA TO BE 'HOME' AFFAIR

Concessions and Amusements to Be Owned By Legion

Following a conference between the directors of the Chamber of Commerce and representatives of the American Legion held in the director's rooms Tuesday, the annual Torrance Fiesta will this year be entirely in the hands of the Legionnaires and all concessions and amusement features will be conducted by 'home folks.'

PROGRAM

- 1. Community Singing of Popular Airs—Audience and School Children.
2. Invocation.
3. Our Glorious Land today, Neath Education's sway.
4. Object of Public Schools Week—Worshipful Master.
5. Solo—Williams.
6. Address—Rev. Grice.
7. Song—Double Quartette.
8. Address—H. V. Adams.
9. The Star-Spangled Banner—Audience.
10. Benediction—Chaplain or Minister.

St. Patrick Dance By American Legion Auxiliary

The St. Patrick's Day dance to be given by the Bert S. Crossland Unit of the American Legion Auxiliary of Torrance, promises to be the headliner in social events held this season. The dance will be given in American Legion hall, Torrance, on the evening of St. Patrick's Day and everyone is looking forward to that date for an evening of real joy.